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In the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) An apparatus, comprising:

a server operating to receive and store at least one request to modify the behavior of an implantable medical device, the <u>at least one</u> request received from a programmer and created by a clinician via the programmer at a first selected time;

a monitor operating to receive the at least one request from the server and transmit the <u>at least one</u> requests to the implantable medical device at a second selected time; and

a bi-directional communications system communicatively coupling the server and the monitor.

- 2. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the server is further verifies that the clinician is authorized to submit the at least one requeste to the implantable medical device.
- 3. (Previously presented) The apparatus of claim 2, wherein the bl-directional communication system is provides a secure communication link between the server and the monitor.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the monitor decrypts the <u>at least one</u> requests.
- 5. (Currently Amended) The apparatus of claim 4, wherein the monitor transmits the <u>at least one</u> decrypted requests to the implantable medical device using a radio frequency transmitter.

